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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102

Sir:

This communication hereby notifies the United States Patent and Trademark Office that I, applicant Joseph Grayzel, hereby request that the above-referenced application be made special based on applicant's age. 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)(1). I was born on October 19, 1931, and am 73 years of age. Therefore, I am more than sixty-five (65) years of age, as required. M.P.E.P. § 708.02.

It is my understanding that no fee is required in filing this petition.

Dated: APR 8, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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